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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1
TAGS: PGOV, PINS, YS
SUBJECT: SITUATION IN PDY (SOUTH YEMEN)

1. FCO HAS GIVEN US SOME OF MOST RECENT REPORTS FROM ITS EMBASSY IN ADEN. THESE HAVE BEEN REPEATED TO WASHINGTON AND NO DOUBT DUPLICATE INFO ALREADY AVAILABLE TO DEPT. OF PARTICULAR INTEREST, HOWEVER, IS MOST RECENT REPORT DATED JULY 5, QUOTES FROM WHICH FOLLOW: "THE FIGURES WE HEAR FOR DEFECTIONS ARE 700 MEN AND THREE MIGS... ISMAIL IS HERE AND APPARENTLY IN GOOD HEALTH. WE TOO HAVE HEARD HE WAS FLOWN INJURED TO MOSCOW - SO, SUPPOSEDLY, WERE ALI ANTAR, ABDULAZZIZ ABDULWALI AND OTHERS, BUT ALL ARE EITHER HERE OR OUT SEEKING TO PERSUADE OTHER ARABS OF THEIR NONINVOLVEMENT IN... ASSASSINATION OF GHASHMI. ANY YEMENI PREPARED TO TALK TO EXPATRIATES IS VERY UNHAPPY THAT ISMAIL IS STILL IN CONTROL."

2. FCO HAS RECEIVED NO EVIDENCE OF CUBAN PARTICIPATION IN THE FIGHTING RESULTING IN OVERTHROW OF ALI.

3. EMBOFF NOTED THAT IN GUARDIAN OF JULY 7, REUTER
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ARTICLE DATELINED RIYADH AND QUOTING SAUDI PRESS AGENCY IDENTIFIED ENVOY WHO CARRIED THE BRIEFCASE WHICH BLEWUP HIMSELF AND GHASHMI AS MAHDI AHMED SALEH, COUSIN OF SOUTH YEMENI MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR. ACCORDING SAUDI PRESS AGENCY, SALEH REPLACED ORIGINAL ENVOY OF SALIM RUBAYA ALI, "ALI SALEM AL-AAWAR" (PRESUMABLY LAWAR). FCO OFFICER HAD NO INFORMATION

ON THIS STORY.

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